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Response to Election

1. The reply filed on October 23, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): applicant has failed to clearly indicate which claims are readable on the elected species, as required. For example, applicant has indicated that "claims 1, 2, 7, and 14-18 read on the elected species" or the embodiment of Figures 1 to 4. However, claim 6, from which claim 7 depends is not listed as being readable on the elected species. Also, there is a discrepancy between the subject matter of the subcombination claims 1, 2, and 7 listed as being readable on the elected species and the subject matter of the combination claims 14 through 18 listed as being readable on the elected species; in other words, it appears that, if all of the combination claims listed as being readable on the elected species actually are readable on the elected species, then not all of the subcombination claims readable on the species have been enumerated by applicant. See MPEP 809.02(a) and/or refer to the election requirement, Paper No. 4, for more information.. Also see 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ljiljana (Lil) V. Ciric, whose telephone number is (703) 308-3925. While she works a flexible schedule that varies from day to day and from week to week, Examiner Ciric may generally be reached at the Office during the work week between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET.

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